

BILL NO. 60 -2009
AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF READING CODIFIED ORDINANCES CHAPTER 1 ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT – 1-121 OFFICIAL ACTIONS OF THE COUNCIL AND 1-186 FISCAL PROVISIONS, NUMBER 9 ANNUAL BUDGET C BUDGET ORGANIZATION AND CONTENT (2) BY PROVIDING CLARIFYING LANGUAGE PERTAINING TO THE NEED FOR THE ANNUAL POSITION ORDINANCE.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Amending Section 1-121 Official Actions of the Council in the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Chapter 1 Administration and Government as follows:

§1-122. Ordinances.

1. **Action Requiring an Ordinance.** In addition to requirements provided by law or the Charter, §§215 through 2246, acts of the Council shall be by ordinance which:

- A. Adopt or amend the codes or establish, alter, or abolish any unit of the City.
- B. Provide for a fine or other penalty or establish a rule or regulation for which a fine or other penalty is imposed.
- C. Levy taxes and provide for service charges, permit fees and assessments.
- D. Grant, renew or extend a franchise.
- E. Adopt and amend the annual budget and capital program budget (see Charter, §§905, 912 and 9137).
- F. Repeal or amend any ordinance.
- G. Adopt procedures for purchasing of products, goods, or services, for the making of contracts and for the sale or lease of personal or real property of the City. (See Charter, §9158).
- H. Adopt other actions which are legislative in nature.
- I. Authorize the borrowing of money.
- J. Purchase, convey or lease lands or buildings.
- K. Adopt zoning, subdivision or other land use controls.
- J. Adopt the annual Position Ordinance, the official listing of all authorized City employment positions, which authorizes the Administration to hire and compensate all employees, defined in Section 1-121 Categories of Employment.*

SECTION 2. Amending Section 1-186 Fiscal Provisions, Number 9 Annual Budget C Budget Organization And Content (2) in the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Chapter 1 Administration and Government:

(2) The budget shall provide a complete financial plan of all City funds and activities for the ensuing fiscal year in accordance with all generally accepted accounting principles and, except as required by the Charter, shall be in such form as the Mayor deems desirable or the Council may require.

(Refer to comment on §90146) In organizing the budget, the Mayor shall utilize the most feasible combination of expenditure classification by fund, organization unit, program, purpose or activity and object. The budget shall contain, among other things, the following:

(a) It shall begin with a general summary of its contents.

(b) It shall show in detail all estimated income, indicating the existing and proposed tax levies, as well as other assessments, fees, and charges.

(c) It shall show all proposed expenditures, including debt service, for the ensuing fiscal year.

(d) It shall *include the Position Ordinance, defined in Section 1-122, which shows the number of all proposed employees in every job classification, as defined in Section 1-221, highlighting changes and the proposed salaries of all exempt employees beginning in 2009 (plain italic language required by Bill No. 3-2009 enacted January 26, 200 and approved by the Mayor January 27, 2009)*

(e) It shall be so arranged as to show comparative figures for actual and estimated income and expenditures for the current fiscal year and actual income and expenditures of the preceding 4 fiscal years.

(f) It shall indicate proposed expenditures during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by offices, departments, and agencies, in terms of their respective work programs, and the methods of financing such expenditures.

(g) It shall indicate proposed capital expenditures during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by office, departments and agencies when practical, and the proposed method of financing each such capital expenditure. The Mayor shall include this separate capital program section in the annual budget and submit it to Council with appropriate supporting information as to the necessity for such programs.

(h) It shall indicate anticipated net surplus or deficit for the ensuing fiscal year of each utility owned or operated by the City and the proposed method of its disposition; subsidiary budgets for each such utility giving detailed income and expenditure information shall be attached as appendices to the budget.

The total of proposed expenditures shall not exceed the total of estimated income. The estimated income shall mean the total of estimated revenue

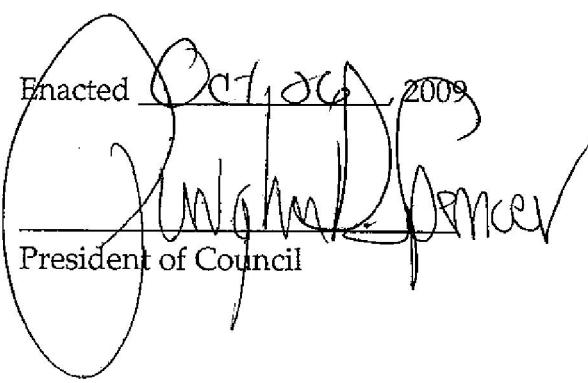
plus the prior fiscal year's fund balance. If a deficit exists, a plan to eliminate that deficit must be included in the budget.

SECTION 3: All relevant ordinances, regulations, remaining sections of Chapter 1 Administration and Government Part 1 Administrative Code not amended hereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4: If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this ordinance is held, for any reason, to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall become effective in ten (10) days, in accordance with Charter Section 219.


Enacted Oct 26, 2009


President of Council


Attest:


City Clerk

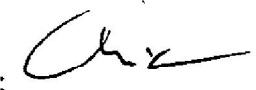
(President of Council)

Submitted to Mayor: 

Date: 10/27/09

Received by the Mayor's Office: 

Date: 10/27/09

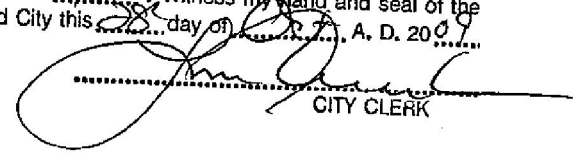
Approved by Mayor: 

Date: 10/28/09

Vetoed by Mayor: _____

Date: _____

I, LINDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Ordinance passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 26 day of Oct, A. D. 2009. Witness my hand and seal of the said City this 28 day of Oct, A. D. 2009.


CITY CLERK